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Secretary's Notes

I'm Against Hari-Kari

Wimbledon were obviously delighted to take back three points with them after their first ever visit to the Gay Meadow in a 2-1 victory which probably shook most of the national newspaper forecasters but did not unduly surprise those of us close to the realities of football.

They probably surprised us most by their attacking tactics which helped to provide a bigger crowd than the opening game with an encounter full of excitement and goalmouth thrills. It was the sort of match people will talk about for some time even though it left a somewhat bitter taste in the mouths of home supporters.

They have a very big and physical side with speed and good use of the long ball. In some aspects they played and beat us at our own game for none could complain about their commitment.

The match, and certainly the result, raises one or two pertinent points. Generally speaking, I think supporters want good results from their favourites irrespective of how they are attained.

Attractive Football . . . Yes . . . BUT . . .

I am certainly against a team committing hari-kari whatever may be the demands of supporters for attractive football. In my book, and I suppose in most people's books, a 1-0 win is far more important than a 4-5 defeat, however attractive such a match may be.

So in the Wimbledon game my personal disappointment was the fact that Town equalised after a somewhat frustrating period only to lose that advantage within five minutes of achieving it.

I thought we were perhaps a bit unfortunate not to be awarded a penalty when Wayne Williams was checked in the area and we were also a bit unlucky to hit the post.

They had Physical Advantages

I would not wish to detract from Wimbledon's performance. They had the advantage of height and weight in most departments and so may not get the same sort of results against teams of similar physical qualities, although I can see them causing a lot of teams a lot of trouble.

I suppose that 2-1 home defeat against Wimbledon was just as surprising as our own 5-1 away win against Huddersfield the previous week. These crazy sort of results are what make football so attractive.

Naturally, we shall be hoping that this evening's Milk Cup match against Bolton does not provide us with another crazy result. I feel sure the players will want to atone for that Wimbledon defeat for they were just as disappointed with the result as you, the supporters, were.

Tribute to Jackie Butler

On behalf of the whole club, I would like to end these Notes with a tribute to a former player and trainer at the club, Jackie Butler, who died earlier this month and who was so well known and popular among the older generation of Town supporters.

He had a long and distinguished service with the club as a left winger before and in the early days of the club's Football League days.

The club's vice-chairman, Ken Woodhouse, and I attended the funeral and I know everyone linked with the Town will extend sympathy to his wife and daughter.

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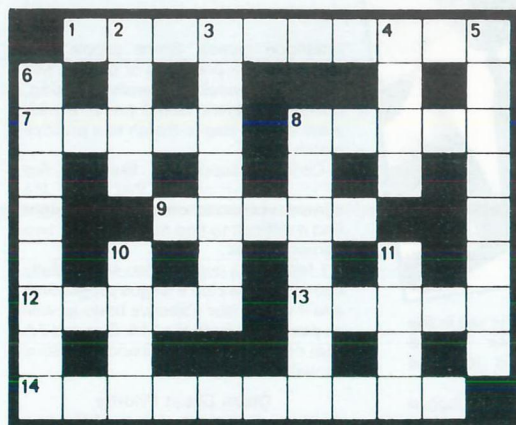
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- Country which has staged the World Cup finals (5)
- On which a sponsor's name could be screened from 1983/84 (5)
- The shared nickname of the first two clubs of 1 across (5)
- This Lloyd was capped by England whilst with two clubs with a shared nickname (5)
- An England international who has managed many clubs home here as well as Bilbao, Lisbon and Panathinaikos away (5)
- In which *Football Focus* has a segment (10)

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- Holland's top club of the last two decades (4)
- The Mecca — — Awards were introduced to give recognition to long-serving players (7)
- One of soccer's Walkers (4)
- Sponsors of a well-known *Football Yearbook* (8)
- In the case of the 1984 UEFA Cup final, say, Brussels was where it was played (5,3)
- Keeper who had a long spell at Ayr, going on to Leeds, Swansea and Scotland . . . (7)
- . . . thus having been in charge of many such a 'box' as this (4)
- Sounds like 13 across for Sunderland! (4)

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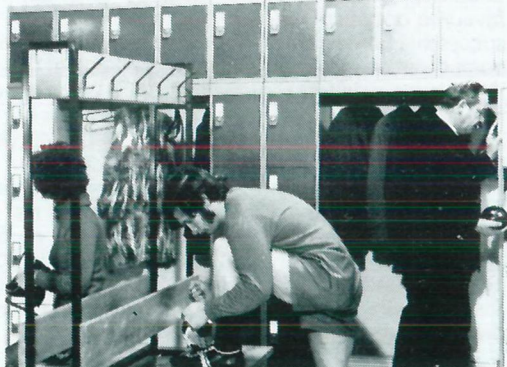
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Chic Bates



Bolton Have Tradition

Fortunate to be seeded in this season's Milk Cup, we were not only exempt from the first round but have avoided the top clubs in the second. And if one had the choice of attractive opponents from the rest, I suppose one could not have bettered our visitors, Bolton Wanderers, for this evening's first leg match.

Bolton still have very much a First Division set-up. They have tradition high-lighted by no less than four FA Cup final victories although, like us, their best performance in this competition was a semi-final appearance. The fact that they have had nearly 70,000 for a cup game at Burnden Park, indicates the sort of

atmosphere we can expect to see in the return leg although their ground capacity is now restricted to some 40,000.

I am all in favour of these two-legged encounters for the first two rounds, although the first may not quite claim the killer atmosphere of the FA Cup.

As both a player and now manager, I have always felt the bread and butter fare of league football is more important than the cup, although I am sure supporters probably prefer the latter.

Players Enjoy Cup Matches

Make no mistake, we, the players and management, enjoy cup matches, particularly evening games which tend to provide a better atmosphere than

afternoon games. Some people may talk about the pressures of playing two games in a week. Generally speaking, however, players would prefer a mid-week cup-or league-match to a practice match.

Certainly supporters like cup ties although I sympathise that under the current economic climate some might find it difficult to find the money for two games a week.

I feel that a cup run can successfully complement a club's league programme and it will be our objective to do as well as possible in both the Milk Cup and FA Cup competitions, for financial reasons as well.

Clean Sheet Priority

At the end of the two legs, if the two teams are equal after extra time, away goals count, so one of our objectives this evening will be to keep a clean sheet. If we achieve that and manage to score I shall be reasonably happy although naturally we shall be hoping to score as many goals as possible to take with us to Burnden Park on October 9th.

We shall certainly not under-estimate our opponents this evening even though they have had an indifferent start to this season's campaign.

Talk on 2

For the fourth visit in succession Oldham failed to score here last week and COLIN ROBINSON underlined that the Latics must be amongst his favourite opponents by scoring for the third time in successive home games. This brought us immediate compensation for our shock home defeat by a Wimbledon side who followed up their win on their first ever visit here by beating Middlesbrough 4-2 at Ayresome Park in what was their first ever visit there.

It was a pretty good time for away teams last week with Portsmouth ending Birmingham's run of five wins in a row by beating them 1-0 at St. Andrews. Pompey are certainly making the odd goal count this season for they have already chalked up three 1-0 wins, have lost another game 1-0 and have drawn another game 0-0.

Crystal Palace also picked up the points away from home last week, beating Sheffield United 2-1 at Bramall Lane to give new manager STEVE COPPELL something to smile about after a mediocre start to the season. This was United's first home defeat since going down to Wimbledon at the end of last season and it was only slight consolation for them that ace goalscorer KEITH EDWARDS scored his fifth goal in seven games.

No slip up at Blackburn, however, with the home side gaining their third home win in a row this season, beating Cardiff 2-1 with midfielder SIMON BARKER getting his first goal of the season. This was only the second defeat the Welsh team have suffered on their last five visits to Ewood Park, but this season they have lost all four games on opponents' grounds. In fact the last away point that they picked up was in last season's game at Blackburn.

Oddly enough Cardiff's only points this season have been gained from their win over Leeds, who after four wins in a row lost both to Cardiff and Portsmouth in their next two games.

Wolves will scarcely feel that Oxford is their favourite ground. Until last week's Second Division visit they had played only once there, losing a League Cup match there in 1970/1. Then last week they lost for only the second time this season. Oxford really are going great guns at the moment, their win over Wolves being their fourth in as many games with former Newport striker moving to the top of the Football League list of goalscorers with two goals in each of their last three home games to take his season's tally to eight.

Apologies . . . to Paul Petts. When discussing Shrewsbury hat-tricks in this column recently we failed to mention his three goals against Leeds almost exactly a year ago. Here's hoping that we shall have further Shrewsbury hat-tricks to talk about this season.

Shrews News & Views



A Profile of
**ROSS
MACLAREN**
by Freddie Fry

My Son-in-Law, born and bred south of Watford, calls them the "Heathen Scots"!!

I do not know whether this is his inability to reconcile the haggis with the teaching of 'Haute-Cuisine' at his Swiss Hotel-School, or if it is 25 years of a Mother-in-Law whose parents hailed from the bonnie braes of Perthshire, or even a wife whose second Christian name is Stuart to acknowledge her descent from the Clan of that ilk!

These are Highlanders, but Ross Maclaren is a Lowlander, born 22 years ago of parents who live in that lovely City of Edinburgh, where the folk are even more civilised and sophisticated than we in Shropshire.

Educated at Balgreen Primary School, and Craigmount High School in Edinburgh, he signed Schoolboy forms for Glasgow Rangers to cover the 14 to 16 year period, but asked to be released at the age of 15 years because it merely involved training on Thursday evenings, and little interest otherwise.

Ross left school at 16 and became a Motor Mechanic, but it appeared Glasgow Rangers had not forgotten him, and after only a few weeks asked him to come back to trials, in which he played two games in the Reserves. So successful were these trials that Rangers gave him a 2 years Contract, but during the 2 years he had only one First Team game, and was released at the end of the Contract when he was 18 years of age.

Our late lamented and sorely missed Chief Scout in Glasgow, "Jock" Fulton, knew all about Ross, and invited him down to Shrewsbury for two weeks trial, at the end of which Graham Turner was very happy to offer him a Contract.

What a good decision this was, and what pleasure it has given us all to watch his skills, such as that long ball out of his own half which splits the opposition defence, to which even Franz Beckenbauer, the most famous exponent of the 40 yard pass, would give the nod of approval, and those 'dead-ball' kicks which he places with such accuracy.

Ross Maclaren's father played only in local team football, but he has a 25 years old brother playing as a part-time professional in Australia for the Sunshine George Cross Club in Melbourne, whom he visited last summer. Indeed, Ross has travelled quite a lot, and was in America the previous year.

His wife Nicola, also a native of Edinburgh, whom he married 2 years ago, is now nicely settled in Shrewsbury, works at Williams and Glyn's Bank, and follows his football with great interest, even to the extent of being critical when she feels he has not played up to his own high standard.

His Club friends told me I would find his language "colourful" and the responses to some of my questions would need to be represented by Asterisks, but on the contrary I found him to be a very quietly spoken, well balanced, young man. I challenged him about this 'reputation' but he said "Oh! that's only on the pitch when it is essential we all talk to each other forcibly, and particularly for me as Captain".

Ross endeared himself to me when he enthused about his Ford Cortina, but I was sorry to hear he was not very excited about The Haggis, his native dish, which Robert Burns described as the "Great Chieftain of the Puddin-Race", and I gather when he tried it on some of our players they were less than enthusiastic too!

Those of us who travel away with the team will have seen how well dressed our players are when they arrive at the Clubs and Hotels, and none more immaculate than Ross, but he gives credit to Nicola for this, saying "She chooses my clothes, and I only decide if they fit!"

Long may Ross Maclaren stay in Shrewsbury to entertain us with his skills.

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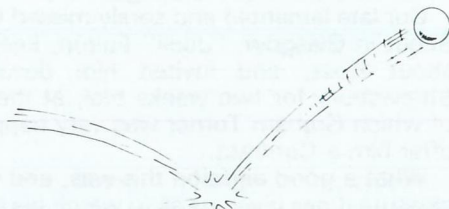
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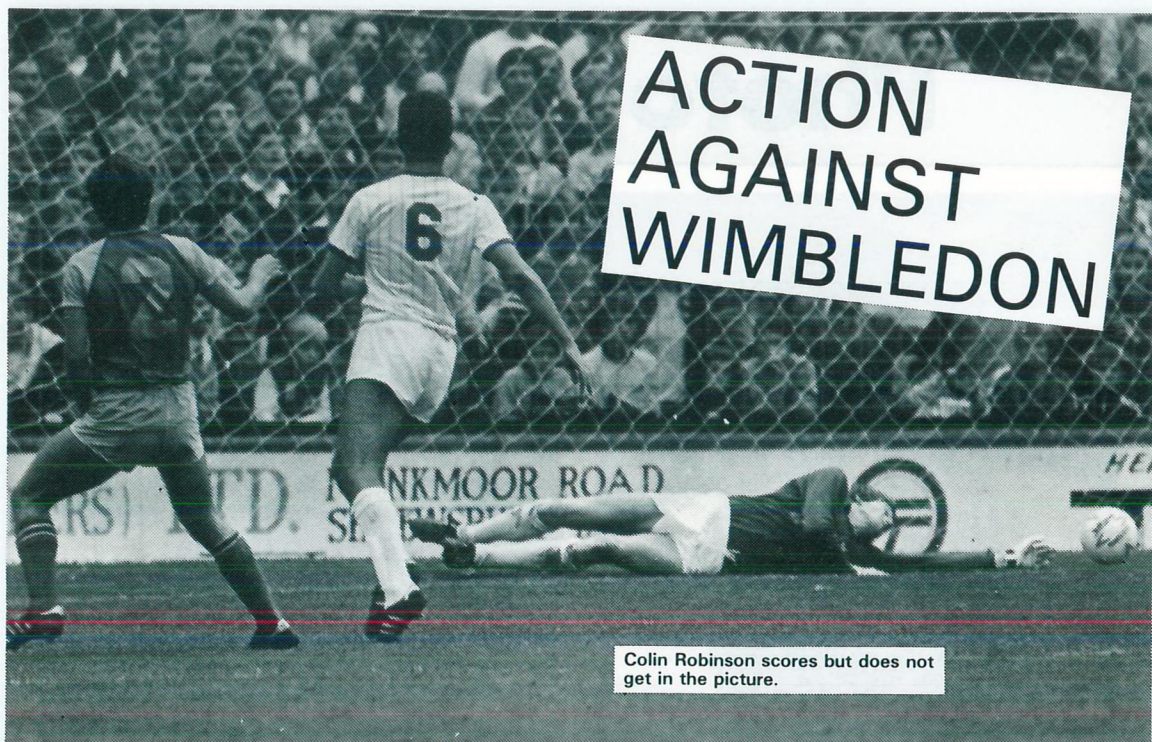
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ACTION AGAINST WIMBLEDON

Colin Robinson scores but does not
get in the picture.



Where's that ball.

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GARY STEVENS

A Goalless Draw

While the first team were achieving that fine 5-1 win at Huddersfield, the club's Intermediates failed to score in a goalless draw at the Meadow.

Against a similar strength Coventry outfit, Shrewsbury had probably 70 per cent of the play but just failed to capitalise on the scoring chances created.

Against that, Town's defence was very solid with Robert Goodwin, who recently became

a full time professional, having an excellent game while Steve Perks did well in goal.

On the following Monday, the club took a squad to Cosford to play the RAF regional representative side with a number of trialists as well as apprentices and one or two pros. Town took a 2-0 lead with goals by trialist Vivian Williams from Bangor and Paul Tester.

Town eventually lost 2-3 due in part to a number of team

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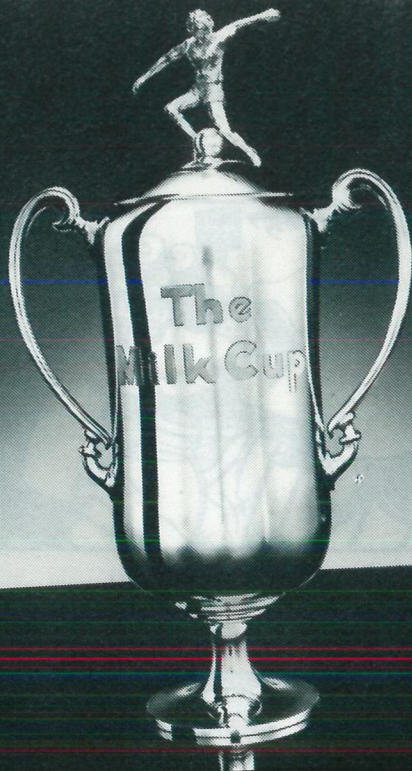
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Second Round First Leg — September 24-26

Second Round Second Leg — October 8-10

PRIZE MONEY UP

The prize fund has been increased by £30,000 for the 1984-85 competition. To benefit the smaller clubs, there is an extra £500 each for the First and Second Round losers.

The prize fund now totals £490,000 and is distributed as follows:

Winner	£64,000
Runner up	£48,000
Losing semi-finalists	£32,000 each
Fifth Round losers	£16,000 each
Fourth Round losers	£8,000 each
Third Round losers	£4,000 each
Second Round losers	£2,500 each
First Round losers	£1,500 each

SECOND ROUND SEEDED

The two-legged Second Round is seeded. This is to give all the First Round winners, from the lower divisions of the League, the chance of a home tie against "big name" opponents.

THE MILK CUP CALENDAR FOR SEASON 1984-85

Second Round, first leg	Wednesday, September 26, 1984*
Second Round, second leg	Wednesday, October 10, 1984*
Third Round	Wednesday, October 31, 1984*
Fourth Round	Wednesday, November 21, 1984*
Fifth Round	Wednesday, January 16, 1985*
Semi-finals, first leg	Wednesday, February 6, 1985*
Semi-finals, second leg	Wednesday, February 13, 1985*
Final	Sunday, March 24, 1985

*Matches may be played on the preceding Monday or Tuesday.

If in the first and second round both teams are level on goals after 180 minutes, then an extra half an hour shall be played. If the aggregate scores are still level at the end of extra time, the tie shall be decided by goals scored (away from home counting double). If the teams remain equal after this procedure, the tie shall be decided by a penalty competition played in accordance with the Laws of the Game.

In the event of the scores being equal after 90 minutes in the Third, Fourth and Fifth round matches, the match shall be replayed on the ground of the visiting club. In the event of the scores being level at the end of 90 minutes in the replayed game, an extra half an hour shall be played.

If the match is still undecided, the venue for further replays shall alternate between the grounds of the competing clubs, the venue for the third match being determined by the toss of a coin.

In the semi-finals, if the aggregate score is level after the end of the second round leg an extra half an hour shall be played. If the score shall still be level at the end of extra time the match shall be replayed on neutral ground. If the score is still level in this replay at the end of 90 minutes, extra time shall be played, and if the match is still undecided the winners shall be determined by a penalty competition played in accordance with the Laws of the Game.

If the score is still level at the end of 90 minutes in the final tie, an extra half an hour shall be played. If the score is still level after extra time, then the game will be replayed on a neutral ground. If the score is still level at the end of a replay, an extra half an hour shall be played, and if then the scores are still level, the outcome will be determined by a penalty competition played in accordance with the Laws of the Game.

A few tactical moves



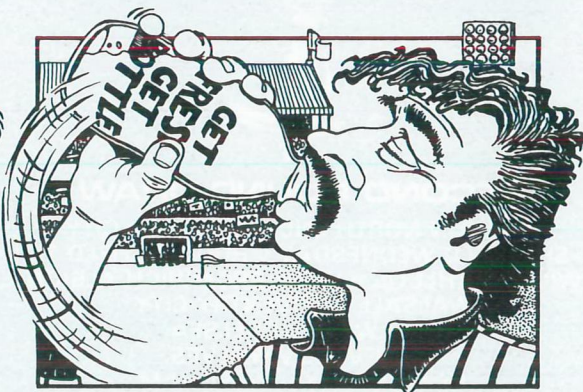
The sliding tackle



The quick one-two



The substitution



The banana shot



The goal



The action replay

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A NEW INTEREST IN CUP FOOTBALL

By Colin Benson

CUP football can be either kind or cruel. How many times have you exclaimed, "Oh no not them again", when your favourites have been drawn against impossible odds or against some unfashionable opponents that you have seen time and time again.

Such was the case in **Grimsby** when the draw for the Milk Cup paired the Mariners with **Barnsley**, who they beat on the opening day of the season 1-0.

For the fans, eager to see **Grimsby** flex their cup muscles against First Division opposition, the draw created little enthusiasm, but at **Blundell Park** manager **Dave Booth** adopted a confident air.

Putting the draw in its proper perspective he said: "I would have liked to meet a team we do not normally play every season in the League but the onus is now on us

to beat **Barnsley** and provide the opportunity for this to happen in the next round."

Grimsby have the satisfaction of that Second Division win over their Yorkshire rivals behind them but assistant manager **Chris Nicholl** warns that things will be different this time.

"This is a two-legged tie and that makes a lot of difference," he cautions. "Last season we failed to score at home to **Coventry City** in the first game and that cost us the tie. It is like playing a European Cup match with the visitors intent on not conceding a goal and the home side anxious to build up a comfortable margin to take to the second game."

Whatever way you look at it the recipe sounds like it could provide a bundle of excitement.

That is a commodity they have no trouble in stirring up in **Sheffield** where **United** entertain last season's runners-up, **Everton**.

The Blades anticipate a 20,000 plus gate for this intriguing tie and that means one of the season's biggest paydays for the Second Division's newcomers.

Sheffield United boast an impressive record on their own **Bramall Lane** turf and it is a tie that **Everton** boss **Howard Kendall** views with cautious optimism. He knows only too well the pitfalls that can engulf the fancied in this competition.

United boss **Ian Porterfield** on the other hand is relishing the opportunity to tangle with the Mersey giants. He enthuses: "Personally I'm delighted that we have drawn such very attractive opposition.

"In the three years I have been at **Bramall Lane** I must confess that I have not been very interested in cup football. My priority was to get the team from the Fourth Division to the Second Division as quickly as possible and the fewer cup games we had the less chance we had of picking up further injuries to slow that process up.

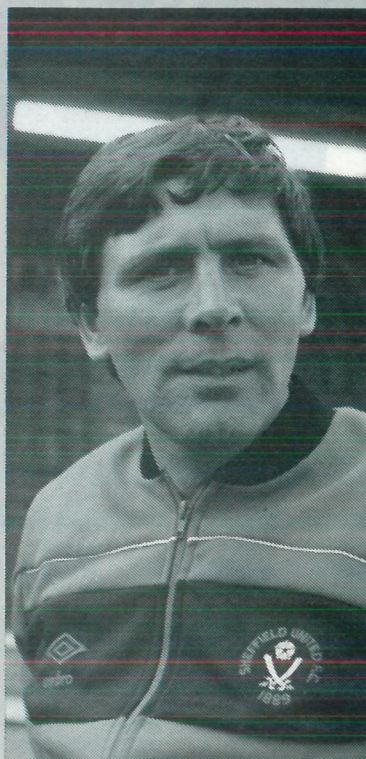
"Now we are in the Second

Division I feel we would like to have a go at all opponents and although we have the deepest respect for **Everton**, we will be going all out to win through to the next round and cash in on another good gate.

"They are a very good side with some top class players and any side which reached two cup finals in one season must have the right temperament for cup-tie football; but we have a good record at home and if we can squeeze a lead on the first-leg then we will have something to work on at **Goodison Park**."



Dave Booth — "The onus is on us"



Ian Porterfield — A renewed interest in cup football.

The boot is on the other foot for little **Burnley** who face **Manchester United** at **Old Trafford** in the first leg of their tie while **Norwich City** will find the new **Preston North End** side a much more difficult proposition than when they faced each other two years ago.

The Milk Cup, as always, provides the cream of entertainment.

"THEY'RE ALL FINALS"

SAYS PHIL NEAL



The prospect of Liverpool, who have yet to lose a Milk Cup tie, winning the competition for the fourth successive year, leaves Phil Neal totally and very professionally unmoved.

"I know the rest of football and millions of fans must think we are under tremendous pressure," says the Liverpool captain. "But, you know, we never take it more than one game at a time at Anfield, and that's how it will always be.

"We won the Milk Cup in the first three years of its existence. But that's only what the record books say. My book says it's a cup final every time we go out and play in the competition.

"Look at last season. We played 13 "cup finals" before we won. Being Liverpool, being unbeaten since August, 1980, it's natural that everybody wants to turn us over. So teams raise their game. It took us three games to beat Fulham, two to beat Birmingham City, two to beat Sheffield Wednesday and two to beat Everton in the Final. Add the two-legged ties with Brentford and Walsall, and there's the 13 games.

"I'm a bit prejudiced I suppose, but I regard the Milk Cup as a great competition and, frankly, winning it so regularly helps us through the last third of the season because, in the last four years, we've been able to clinch the European place early. We've been able to go for the other trophies in a slightly more relaxed frame of mind.

"So, for Liverpool, it's one at a time, as usual. And if it takes 13 matches to win it again, well"

It needed all the might of Liverpool to turn aside the challenge of Third Division Walsall, who reached the semi-final and earned £32,000 in prize money last season.

Says Walsall chairman Ken Wheldon: "The Milk Cup was marvellous for us. That prize money was a bonus because we ran the club well enough to always make a profit.

"But the effect of that long run in the competition inspired the players to stay among the Third Division leaders. Consequently our gates were always higher than budget forecast. Drawing 2-2 at Liverpool in the semi-finals proved that we've the bottle to live among the big boys, and we're looking forward to the opportunity of proving it again."

Notice Board

Death of Former Town Player

It is with regret that we record the death earlier this month of a former very popular Town player, left winger Jackie Butler, who played for the club in their first season of League football.

Jackie, who died at his home at Spring Hill, Dawley, at the age of 63, came to Shrewsbury as a 17-year-old in 1939, a product of Dawley junior football. He played for the club's Midland League side until they closed down during the second world war.

After the war, Jackie played for Wellington Town but rejoined Shrewsbury and had four seasons for them in the Third Division during which he made 58 league appearances.

Later Jackie took on training duties at the Gay Meadow before moving back to Wellington as first team trainer.

A sprinter at one time attached to Birchfield Harriers, Jackie was also an above average tennis and snooker player.

Death of Supporters Club Member

It is with regret that we record the death recently of Tommy Taylor. Tommy was a popular and respected member of the Supporters Club. He served for many years on the Committee and assisted in the Riverside Buffet, until he became too ill.

He will be greatly missed by all his friends in the Supporters Club.

Putting Records Straight

To put the records straight, Shrewsbury's 5-1 away win against Huddersfield was their best away from home in the Second Division and equalled their previous best home and away in this division which was just under twelve months ago against Leeds at the Meadow which they also won 5-1.

Gary Stevens's hat trick was the first for the club since Paul Petts achieved the feat in that Leeds match.

Previous best away victory by Town in the Football League was in 1965 — a 7-2 win against Luton Town at Kenilworth Road which helped the current First Division outfit to suffer their first taste of Fourth Division football. George Boardman scored four of the seven goals.

Shrewsbury also enjoyed a 5-1 away win against Notts County in 1962/63 season (Third Division) with player manager Arthur Rowley getting a 'hat trick'.

Gary Set For Goal Best

In his third season with the club, Gary Stevens scored as many goals in his first four league games this term as in the whole of his two previous seasons. His 'hat trick' at Huddersfield brought his total to five. If he continues as a striker — he played most of his games last season as a central defender — he should beat his best in four full seasons at Cardiff which stood at 13.

Record scoring feat for a season by a Town player in the Football League stands to Arthur Rowley who scored 38 in their Fourth Division season which brought them 101 League goals.

Stevens's three at Huddersfield was the Town's first League 'hat trick' for nearly twelve months when Paul Petts scored three of Town's five goals in an identical score-line against Leeds, although that match was at the Meadow.

Third Fiat Award

Shrewsbury's 5-1 away victory against Huddersfield won the club its second 'Team of the Week' award and the third award from Fiat. Early last season they learned they had been placed third for outstanding record the previous season. Later they earned the Fiat 'Team of the Week' award for their 2-0 FA Cup win against Ipswich.

Sunday Express

16/9/84

TOWN'S TOIL ALL IN VAIN

News of the World 16/9/84

HIGH - FLYING Shrewsbury were brought down to earth with a bump by the Second Division's new boys.

Wimbledon's first win in their new environment was on the cards from the tenth minute when Glyn Hodges snapped up a chance created by danger man Stewart Evans.

And, although Colin Robinson hit back with a 60th minute leveller, Wimbledon deservedly claimed a full points return when Shrewsbury's over-stretched defence let in Kevin Gage five minutes later.

Wimbledon bottled up Shrewsbury's free-scoring attack with great efficiency, and their sky-scraper defenders claimed almost every ball in the air.

The Londoners deserved their luck when Gary Hackett curled a cross against David Beasant's far post.

But Shrewsbury looked worth a penalty for the challenge by Hodges which sent Wayne Wil-

By BRIAN RUSSELL
Shrewsbury 1 Wimbledon 2

liams sprawling to the ground ten yards short of the target.

Wimbledon outmatched Shrewsbury's attacking enterprise and had the marksmen

SHREWSBURY. — Green, Williams, Johnson, MacLaren, Griffin, Cross, McNelly, Bates, Stevens, Robinson, Hackett. Sub: Nardello.

WIMBLEDON. — Beasant, Kay, Winterburn, Handford, Morris, Matter, Evans, Ketteridge, Cork, Gage, Hodges. Sub: Marlin.

CANON SUNDAY BEST: Evans.

by LESLIE THOMAS:

Shrewsbury Town 1, Wimbledon 2

IT WAS more bad luck than Wimbledon's superior judgment that sent Shrewsbury to their first home defeat of the season.

But they had only themselves to blame for Wimbledon's first goal after 10 minutes when Glyn Hodges was totally unmarked as Stuart Evans sent in a high cross. Keeper Ron Green had to come out and Hodges merely chipped the ball past him.

Shrewsbury fought hard to equalise but their luck deserted them as Chic Bates, Colin Robinson and Gary Hackett all had early shots cleared.

Gary Stevens had a 12-yard shot go wide and Bates shot over the bar.

At the other end, Hodges had the ball in the Town's net again, but a linesman's flag was up and referee Joe Worrall awarded Shrewsbury a free kick. Evans had a shot over the bar from a corner. Kevin Gage had one stopped on the line and Ross MacLaren for Shrewsbury put the ball out to safety.

Recovered

Town's troubles continued when Green was injured in a late tackle by Alan Cook after the whistle had gone. Fortunately he recovered after treatment.

But perhaps their most unlucky moment came when a Town ball clipped the inner side of the Wimbledon upright and rebounded into play.

In the second half Bates had an early shot blocked. Town equalised when Stevens gave Williams a close-range shot which David Beasant could only push out to Robinson who scored on the hour.

Five minutes later Gage restored Wimbledon's lead from a Hodges cross.

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Admag	1984															
	Aug. 25	Fulham	2-1	4,938	Green	Williams	Johnson	MacLaren	Griffin	Cross	McNally	Bates C.	Stevens	Robinson	Hackett	Nardiello
	Sept. 1	Crystal Palace	4-1	3,014	Green	Williams	Johnson	MacLaren	Griffin	Cross	McNally	Bates C.	Stevens	Robinson	Hackett	Nardiello
	4	Crystal Palace	0-2	3,721	Green	Williams	Johnson	MacLaren	Griffin	Cross	McNally	Bates C.	Stevens	Robinson	Hackett	Bates M.
	8	Huddersfield Town	1-1	4,980	Green	Williams	Johnson	MacLaren	Griffin	Cross	McNally	Bates C.	Stevens	Robinson	Hackett	Nardiello
	15	Wimbledon	1-2	4,094	Green	Williams	Johnson	MacLaren	Griffin	Cross	McNally	Bates C.	Stevens	Robinson	Hackett	Nardiello
	18	Oldham Athletic	3-0	3,846	Green	Williams	Johnson	MacLaren	Griffin	Cross	McNally	Bates C.	Stevens	Robinson	Hackett	Petts
	22	Portsmouth	0-3	12,703	Green	Williams	Johnson	MacLaren	Griffin	Cross	McNally	Bates C.	Stevens	Robinson	Hackett	Tester
	25	Bolton W. (MC2 1L)														
	29	Netts County														
	Oct. 6	Blackburn Rovers														
	9	Bolton W. (MC2 2L)														
	13	Manchester City														
	20	Charlton Athletic														
	27	Brighton & H.A.														
	Mid-week	— Milk Cup 3														
	Nov. 3	Birmingham City														
	6	Crystal Palace														
	10	Oxford United														
	17	Barnsley (FA 1)														
	Mid-week	— Milk Cup 4														
	24	Sheffield United														
	Dec. 1	Gimsby Town														
	8	Leeds United (FA 2)														
	15	Middlesbrough														
	26	Wolverhampton W.														
	29	Carlisle United														
Dawes Roofing	1985															
	Jan. 1	Cardiff City														
	5	F.A. Cup 3														
	12	Wimbledon														
	Mid-week	— Milk Cup 5														
	19	Fulham														
	26	F.A. Cup 4														
	Feb. 2	Netts County														
	Mid-week	— Milk Cup SF (2L)														
	9	Huddersfield Town														
	Mid-week	— Milk Cup SF (1L)														
	16	Oxford United (FA 5)														
	Mar. 23	Birmingham City														
	30	Brighton & H.A.														
	Apr. 6	Charlton Ath. (FA 6)														
	13	Manchester City														
	20	Blackburn Rovers														
	27	Milk Cup Final														
	May 4	Portsmouth														
	11	Wolverhampton W.														
	18	Cardiff City														
	25	Oldham Ath. (FA SF)														
	31	Barnsley														
	6	Sheffield United														
	13	Gimsby Town														
	20	Leeds United														
	27	Middlesbrough														
	31	FA Cup Final														

Back Row: Derek Mann (Youth Coach & Physiotherapist), Steve Cross, Mark Bates, Paul Tester, Steve Perks, Andy Kerr, Ron Green, Gary Stevens, Nigel Pearson, Colin Griffin, Chic Bates (Player Manager).
 Front Row: Paul Johnson, Colin Robinson, Wayne Williams, Gerry Nardiello, Ross MacLaren, Gary Hackett, Kevin Collins, Paul Petts, Bernard McNally.

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A Arsenal v Bristol Rovers
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J Ipswich v Derby
K Manchester City v Blackpool
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M Portsmouth v Nott'm Forest
N Preston v Norwich
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U York v Q.P.R.

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	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Birmingham City	7	6	0	1	12	3	18
Oxford United	6	5	1	0	15	6	16
Blackburn Rovers	7	4	2	1	16	7	14
Portsmouth	6	4	2	0	7	1	14
Charlton Athletic	7	4	1	4	7	13	13
Shrewsbury Town	7	4	0	3	15	10	12
Brighton & Hove A.	6	4	0	2	10	5	12
Leeds United	7	3	2	2	11	9	12
Manchester City	7	3	2	2	11	7	11
Sheffield United	6	2	3	1	11	8	9
Fulham	7	3	0	4	11	13	9
Grimsby Town	7	2	2	3	6	6	8
Barnsley	7	2	2	3	9	11	8
Wolverhampton W.	7	2	2	3	6	11	8
Carlisle United	7	2	2	3	6	11	8
Wimbledon	6	2	1	3	12	15	7
Crystal Palace	6	2	1	3	7	10	7
Oldham Athletic	6	2	1	3	5	8	7
Huddersfield Town	7	1	3	3	6	13	6
Cardiff City	7	1	0	6	6	17	3
Notts County	7	1	0	6	5	17	3
Middlesbrough	6	0	1	5	7	16	1

APPEARANCES & GOALSCORERS 1984/85

	LEAGUE		MILK		F.A.	
	GOALS	GOALS	CUP	GOALS	CUP	GOALS
Ron Green	7	—	—	—	—	—
Wayne Williams	7	—	—	—	—	—
Paul Johnson	7	—	—	—	—	—
Ross MacLaren	7	—	—	—	—	—
Colin Griffin	7	—	—	—	—	—
Steve Cross	7	2	—	—	—	—
Bernard McNally	7	—	—	—	—	—
Chic Bates	7	—	—	—	—	—
Gary Stevens	6	6	—	—	—	—
Colin Robinson	7	4	—	—	—	—
Gary Hackett	7	3	—	—	—	—
Gerry Nardiello	1(4)	—	—	—	—	—
Mark Bates	—(1)	—	—	—	—	—
Paul Tester	—(1)	—	—	—	—	—

MIDLAND INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

Date	Opponents	F	A
Aug. 25	Aston Villa	0-1	
Sept. 1	Birmingham City	4-1	
18	Coventry City	0-0	
22	Blackburn Rovers	0-0	
29	West Bromwich A.	0-2	
29	Nottingham Forest		
Oct. 6	Port Vale		
13	Stoke City		
20	Notts County		
27	Wolverhampton W.		
Nov. 3	Manfield Town		
10	Leicester City		
17	Coventry City		
24	West Bromwich (LC)		
Dec. 8	Walsall (LC) City (LC)		
15	Derby County		
22	Birmingham City		
29	—		
1985			
Jan. 5	West Bromwich A.		
12	Nottingham Forest		
19	Port Vale		
26	Stoke City		
Feb. 2	Wolverhampton W.		
9	Notts County		
16	Wolverhampton W. (LC)		
23	Manfield Town		
Mar. 2	Stoke City (LC)		
9	Coventry City (LC)		
16	Walsall		
23	Aston Villa		
30	Walsall		
Apr. 6	Leicester City		
13	—		
20	—		

Today's Opponents

BOLTON WANDERERS

For the first time in the Milk Cup and for only the second time in any cup competition (they beat us in the F.A. Cup of 1972/73) we welcome Bolton Wanderers, a team currently striving to improve on a poor start to their Third Division programme. Meanwhile we can give them every respect for the fact that they have already beaten one Second Division club, Oldham Athletic, in this season's Milk Cup.

Founded in 1874 Bolton were one of the twelve original members of the Football League. In 1891/92 they finished as high as third, but by the time of the outbreak of the First World War they had been relegated four times and promoted four times and had twice reached the F.A. Cup final without actually winning the trophy.

They enjoyed a long unbroken spell in Division One from 1911 to 1933 and in the course of this spell won the F.A. Cup three times. They won the F.A. Cup again in 1958 (beating the Manchester United side that had been shattered by the Munich air disaster) but since losing their First Division place in 1964 after a 29 year spell there

they have not enjoyed much tangible success. They had their first taste of Third Division soccer from 1971 to 1973 and then after 5 years back in Division Two actually climbed into Division One for two seasons 1978/79/80.

It seemed then that they were settling back into Division Two when after appearing comfortably placed in mid-table in March 1983 they won only one game of their last eleven and went down.

This landed them back in Division Three where last season they began well with 3 wins in 4 games including an 8-1 hammering of Walsall and were as high as seventh with a month to go, but again they finished badly with seven defeats in their last nine games and their final position was tenth. Despite that early season win they were rather short on goal power and at home they scored only another 28 goals in their last 21 home games and conceded only 16.

THIS SEASON

Goals did flow freely in this season's

first round Milk Cup win over Oldham with a 2-1 win at Burnden Park followed by a 4-4 draw at Oldham. In League games things have been less prolific, however, with a goalless draw against Hull and a 1-0 home defeat by Bristol Rovers while on their travels they have lost 3-2 at Derby and 3-1 at Rotherham.

It seems then that they score more readily in away games than at home and former Hyde striker GEORGE OGHANI opened his account with two goals at Oldham and followed up with another at Rotherham and one more at Swansea.

Last season's prolific acquisition from Horwich, TONY CALDWELL (24 goals in his first season) has also been on the mark as has JEFF CHANDLER (from Leeds in 1981) and from midfield ex-Oldham, Preston and Carlisle man GRAHAM BELL is also something of a goalsnatcher. He links up with WARREN JOYCE, son of a former Burnley player Walter Joyce and with new signing from Preston PAUL LODGE.

In goal former apprentice SIMON FARNWORTH in his second season is defended by central defenders GERRY McELHINNEY, a one-time Gaelic footballer and Scottish Youth international NEIL BERRY in the centre with BRIAN BORROWS (ex-Everton) and RAY DEAKIN another one-time Everton man who arrived via Port Vale, on the flanks.



Back Row: Peter Valentine, Jimmy Phillips, Mark Came, Gerry McElhinney, Neil Berry, Paul Booth, George Oghani.
Centre: Walter Joyce (Coach), Brian Borrows, Steve Thompson, Tony Caldwell, Simon Farnworth, John Platt, Ray Deakin, Paul Lodge, Warren Joyce, Peter Nightingale (Physio)
Front: Wayne Foster, Charles Wright (1st-Team Coach), Jeff Chandler, Simon Rudge, Steve Saunders, John McGovern (Manager), Graham Bell.

SIMON FARNWORTH (Goalkeeper). After a promising and patent apprenticeship, Simon made the most of his break into the Bolton first team last season and missed only ten games.

JOHN PLATT (Goalkeeper). Injuries robbed the former Oldham goalkeeper of a chance of a regular place last season but John, who joined Bolton on a free transfer from Bury in the summer of 1983, brought valuable experience to the side towards the end of last season.

BRIAN BORROWS (Defender). Player of the Year last season, the cultured former Everton full-back made a terrific impression in the Third Division. Can also play in midfield.

RAY DEAKIN (Defender). The Bolton skipper showed great determination in regaining his place after losing his form in the middle of last season. The former Everton and Port Vale defender made 47 appearances.

GERRY McELHINNEY (Defender). Gerry emerged as a regular member of the Northern Ireland international side last season. The former Gaelic footballer and Mid-

Ulster boxing champion, joined Wanderers for £25,000 from Distillery in 1980.

PETER VALENTINE (Defender). The former Huddersfield Town defender missed only four games last season and rightly earned the label of "Mr. Consistency" at the heart of the Wanderers defence.

NEIL BERRY (Defender). The former Scottish Youth International enjoyed only limited appearances last season but his versatility makes him a valued member of the Bolton squad.

JIMMY PHILLIPS (Defender). The Bolton youngster has made great strides in his bid for first team recognition and deserved the chance of his first full appearance against Bristol Rovers on the opening day of the season.

MARK CAME (Defender). The hard-tackling central defender gave up a 9 to 5 job to move into the professional game when he joined Wanderers from non-League Winsford United at the end of last season.

WARREN JOYCE (Midfield). Missed only one game in the Bolton midfield last season, the young all-round sportsman has

played County Cricket at Colts level and is a Rugby Union Scholboy tourist.

GRAHAM BELL (Midfield). John McGovern turned to the former Oldham and Preston man when he was looking for a touch of experience to add to his midfield last season. Signed on a free transfer from Carlisle United and enjoyed an unbroken 19-match run.

STEVE THOMPSON (Midfield). The man Wanderers rely on to operate on the right hand side of midfield, the youngster, son of an ex-League player, played 45 games in Bolton colours last season.

PAUL LODGE (Midfield). Signed from Preston on a free transfer in the summer, Lodge is another ex-Everton recruit to join the Wanderers' squad.

JEFF CHANDLER (Forward). Jeff enjoyed his most successful season scoring 17 goals and being Bolton's only ever-present last season. A Republic of Ireland international the former Blackpool player cost Bolton £40,000 when he signed from Leeds in October 1981.

TONY CALDWELL (Forward) set the Third Division alight when he scored a Club record five goals in Bolton's 8-1 win over Walsall in September last season, while on part-time forms and still an electrician. The recruit from non-League earned a full-time contract and ended the season top scorer with 22 goals from 37 appearances.

GEORGE OGHANI (Forward). Another signing from non-league, George switched from the wing to central striker to earn himself a second chance after John McGovern had tried to sell him back to non-League in the summer.

WAYNE FOSTER (Forward). Fast and hard-running, the former England Youth player has made more than 80 appearances in Bolton's League side.

SIMON RUDGE (Forward). A diminutive striker with a lot of skill and an eye for goal, Simon scored nine goals in 38 games last term.

STEVE SAUNDERS (Forward). Two operations kept Steve on the sidelines for the most part of last season but he is expected to make an impact this time round. An exciting young player of whom Wanderers have high hopes.

In Retrospect

SHREWSBURY TOWN v BOLTON WANDERERS

1972/73 F.A. CUP Round Two

Bolton 3 (Lee, Ritson, Phillips) Shrewsbury 0

BOLTON: Wright, C; Ritson, McAllister, Waldron, Jones, P (Nicholson), Rimmer, Byrom, Jones, G., Greaves, Lee, Phillips.

SHREWSBURY: Mulhearn; Gregory, Roberts, I (Bevan), Dolby, Holton, Moore, Roberts, D, Bridgwood, Andrews, Moir, R, Moir, I.

Attendance: 8,403

DIVISION THREE

1971/72 Shrewsbury 1 (Wood) Bolton 0

Bolton 2 (Phillips, Greaves pen) Shrewsbury 0

1972/73 Shrewsbury 0 Bolton 2 (Byrom, Jones, G)

Bolton 2 (Redfern, Lee) Shrewsbury 0

DIVISION TWO

1980/81 Shrewsbury 1 (Turner) Bolton 2 (Carter, Kidd)

Bolton 0 Shrewsbury 2 (Dungworth, Walsh o.g.)

1981/82 Shrewsbury 2 (Bennett o.g., Atkins pen) Bolton 0

Bolton 1 (Thompson) Shrewsbury 1 (Atkins pen)

1982/83 Shrewsbury 1 (Brown) Bolton 0

Bolton 1 (Henry pen) Shrewsbury 4 (Petts 2, Williams, Cross)

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